

1886, ch 122.

**80.** The mayor and common council of the corporation of Manchester shall have power to grade and pave streets and lay flag or stepping-stones across the same; to provide the width of the sidewalks on such streets to be paved, and the material to be used in paving, and to require the owners of lots of ground in front of which said grading or paving is to be done, to do the same at their own expense, respectively; and if the owner of any lot or parcel of ground in front of which said side-walk has been required to be graded or paved, as aforesaid, shall neglect to grade or pave the same for the space of two months after notice has been given by the mayor, the common council may direct the mayor to cause the same to be done at the expense of said owner, and the cost or expense thereof shall be a lien on such lot or lots, respectively, and may be recovered by said mayor and common council from said owner or owners of such lots as other debts of like amount are recoverable by law.

Ibid.

**81.** They shall have power to provide for laying out, opening and extending, altering or widening any road, street or alley in the limits of said town, and to fix the dimensions thereof, which, in their judgment, the public welfare and convenience may require; to provide for ascertaining whether any and what amount in value of damage will be caused thereby, for which the owner of any property through or over which such road, street or alley may pass, ought to be compensated and paid; and for assessing and laying, either generally, on the whole assessable property in said corporate limits, or specially on the property of persons benefited by such improvement, the whole or any part of the damages and expenses which may be incurred in laying out, opening, extending, altering or widening such road, street or alley; to provide, in case they shall determine to levy and assess the whole or any part of said damages and expenses upon the owner of the property in said town specially benefited by such improvements, for the apportionment among them of the amounts of such damages and expenses so determined to be levied upon them, in due proportion to the amount of benefits by them, respectively, received; to provide for the appointment of two or more com-